1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 3 JANET HENDRIX, 4 Plaintiff(s), 5 NO. C06-1556P v. 6 ORDER ON MOTION TO DISMISS M/V ISSAQUAH, 7 Defendant(s). 8 9 The above-entitled Court, having received and reviewed: 10 Motion of Defendant Washington State Ferries to Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint 11 Response of Plaintiff to Motion of Defendant Washington State Ferries to Dismiss Plaintiff's 2. 12 Complaint 13 and all exhibits and declarations attached thereto, makes the following ruling: 14 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED and Plaintiff's Complaint is hereby 15 DISMISSED without prejudice. 16 Plaintiff does not contest that Defendant State of Washington, in the form of the Department 17 of Transportation and Washington State Ferries, is immune from lawsuit in federal court under the 18 Eleventh Amendment and has waived immunity from seaman lawsuits only if such actions are brought 19 in Thurston County or the county in which the injury occurred. RCW 47.60.2106. 20 Plaintiff is free to re-file her action in the appropriate state court. 21 The clerk is directed to provide copies of this order to all counsel of record. 22 Dated: December __12_, 2006 23 24 Marsha J. Pechman U.S. District Judge 25 ORD ON MTN 26

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